

REMARKS

Applicants present a new set of claims consistent with the interview of April 25, 2002 between the Examiner and Applicants' representatives, Dr. Jarecki-Black and the undersigned. The new claims are believed to overcome the rejections made in the official action of March 25, 2002. No new matter is introduced.

In addition Applicants present the Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 of co-inventor Dr. Jeffrey Rapp establishing that the application enables the production of transgenic chickens expressing EPO in their germ-line and in their eggs. Previously Applicants had established that the application enabled the production of transgenic chickens expressing interferon- α in their germ-line and in their eggs.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



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